(*h*) The project has to be prepared afresh and examined. At the present day rates, the project may amount to more than 5 lakhs of rupees.

(*i*) No. The project is not ready yet. Early arrangements will be made.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

Mr. Veerasanjeevegowda.—

With reference to answer given to (*a*) what is the reason for not carrying out the work for the past 22 years?

Third Member of Council.—

Probably the work might not have been considered remunerative. Definite information is now not available.

Mr. Veerasanjeevegowda.—

There is no answer to (*c*). Where are the old records pending?

Third Member of Council.—

There is no use of going back into all that. A fresh project has been ordered to be got up.

Mr. Veerasanjeevegowda.—

With reference to (*g*) when the raiyats have agreed to pay contribution more than two years ago why should there be delay in taking up the work?

Third Member of Council.—

This is a big project and naturally it takes some time. The matter will be expedited.

MR. K. T. BHASHYAM IYENGAR (Legal Interest).—

Q.—6. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) How many persons during the last five years annually were sentenced to (i) death and (ii) whipping either with or without other punishments?

(*b*) How many of these were males and how many females?

(*c*) How many of death sentences were commuted and how many executed?

(*d*) How many of the persons in (*a*) (ii) were whipped in open Court and how many of them were (i) below the age of 20 and (ii) above the age of 20?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, LAW DEPARTMENT.—

A.—6. (*a*) and (*c*) A statement furnishing the information required is placed on the table. (*Vide* Appendix XV.)

(*b*) and (*d*) These details are not readily available.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

Mr. K. T. Bhashyam Iyengar.—

Has it come to the notice of Government that in most of the civilized countries, capital punishment has been abolished?

Second Member of Council.—

No. On the other hand, in many civilized countries like England, France, Germany, etc., it still exists.

Mr. K. T. Bhashyam Iyengar.—

Are Government aware that in several civilized countries, capital punishment has been abolished?

Third Member of Council.—

Yes.

Mr. K. T. Bhashyam Iyengar.—

Can you abolish such punishment in Mysore?

Third Member of Council.—

We shall consider the suggestion.

Mr. K. T. Bhashyam Iyengar.—

The number of capital punishments is decreasing year by year. Does it mean that crime also has decreased?

Third Member of Council —

That may be an inference.

Mr. K. T. Bhashyam Iyengar.—

Is there any difficulty in abolishing capital punishment?

Third Member of Council.—

There is difference of opinion on the point.

Mr. K. T. Bhashyam Iyengar.—

Is there difficulty to Government?

Second Member of Council.—

We cannot say.

Mr. Nilgiri Sanjeeviah.—

Are Government aware that a resolution was passed in this Assembly in 1924 that capital punishment should be done away with?

Dewan.—

That is a big question. There seems no use in discussing it. I am sorry it is not possible to give a reply at once.

MESSRS. B. SRINIVASA RAO (Bowringpet Taluk), and M. V. RAMALINGA CHETTY (Bowringpet Municipality):—

Q.—11. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) The agreement in respect of supply of water to the Kolar Gold Fields mining area; the year of agreement; the quantity of water supplied;

(2) The year in which arrangements were made for the supply of water to the Kolar Gold Field Sanitary Board area; the quantity of water to be supplied; the annual income therefrom?

(3) The capacity of the tanks of Holali and Bethamangala, when they are full, reserved for the purpose?

(4) Whether the supply of these tanks had at any time fallen short of requirements after the above agreement; if so, when and how many times?

(5) Whether it is a fact that they intend to raise the level of the waste weir of the Bethamangala tank by two feet; if so, the reasons therefor and the agency benefited thereby?

(6) The names of the villages in front of the Bethamangala tank and their distance from the contour line when the tank is full?

(7) The extent of additional area coming under submersion if the level of the waste weir is raised as above.